Kansas Department of Health and Environment Proposed New Permanent Regulation

Lodging Establishments

- 28-36-87. Electrical systems. (a) Each licensee shall ensure that the electrical wiring is installed and maintained in accordance with all applicable local electrical codes. In the absence of local electrical codes, the electrical wiring shall be installed and maintained by a licensed electrician. Each licensee shall ensure that all of the following requirements are met:
- (1) (A) Each newly constructed lodging establishment shall have a ground-fault circuit interrupter in each electrical outlet located within five feet of any water source, including a swimming pool and hot tub.
- (B) Each existing lodging establishment in which major renovation or rewiring has occurred shall be required to have a ground-fault circuit interrupter in each electrical outlet located within five feet of any water source, including a swimming pool and hot tub.
- (C) Each licensee shall ensure that the lodging establishment has a ground-fault circuit interrupter in each electrical outlet located within five feet of any water source, including a swimming pool and hot tub, on or before January 1, 2010.
- (2) Each electrical switch and each outlet shall be covered by a faceplate. Each junction box shall have a junction box cover.
- (3) All circuit breaker boxes, fuse boxes, and electrical panels shall be protected from physical damage and kept in good condition. All fuses and circuits shall be labeled

to identify the circuit location.

The storage of any item that obstructs access to any circuit box shall be prohibited.

- (4) All wire splices shall be located in covered junction boxes.
- (5) Bare or frayed wiring shall be prohibited.
- (6) All three-prong outlets shall be grounded. Each appliance shall be grounded in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications.
 - (b) All emergency lighting shall be kept in working condition.
 - (c)(1) The permanent use of extension cords in guest rooms shall be prohibited.

Individual branch circuits, including multiple-plug outlet strips that contain fuse breakers and multiple-plug outlet adapters that do not to exceed the amperage for which the outlets are rated, shall be permitted.

- (2) The licensee of each lodging establishment shall be required to meet the requirements of this subsection on or before January 1, 2010.
- (d) The temporary use of extension cords shall be allowed for housekeeping and maintenance purposes if the extension cords are rated for industrial use.
- (e) The wattage of light bulbs shall not exceed the wattage rating of the corresponding light fixtures.

Empty light sockets shall be prohibited.

This regulation shall be effective on and after February 5, 2008.	(Authorized by
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